## MUST NOT FAVOR EITHER SIDE IN VOLLEY ON TENNIS COURTS

## Player Should Be Equally Agile in Getting the Ball Either to His Right or His Left.

sibly help it.

I wish to recall to your mind here that the net position is of supreme importance in the modern game. Therefore, command of the volley is absolutely essential. Also I would reminify you of what I have said in a former article concerning the "follow through" of volley strokes. This is a much-neglected and most important principle. It calls for aginity to recover position for the next stroke in a not raily, but also it is the only way to make a voltey smot truly effective. It should be constantly practiced.

## Volleying Vs. Baseline Play.

In America and Australia volleying of baseline play. Larned was equally superb in both positions; yet was "sitting tightest" he was up to the net like a cat when the

was up to the net like a cat when the chance presented, itself, and at the net he camped. All the presenteday stars (Wilding, the Austranan, was not always eager to take tine net) strive constantly for this position.

Richard Stevens, the famous backcourt player in his day, developed the baseline game to a nicety. He could return anything and everything with such precision that the linesmen had to be constantly on the alert. No man of his time achieved more remarkable accuracy. Yet the players of his generation smothered Stevens' game by moving up to the net, and he was beaten constantly by men whose accuracy could not appreach his.

players, one or two that are not only capable of being champions, but really are and have been in that class, for a number of years. I refer in particular to the great Irish player, Parke, and the peer of all German players, Freutzheim. The body of the game of these two players is composed of offensive ground strokes. Neither one is known very often to force the net play.

However, these two great players are

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I may say immediately that it is by no means advisable to favor either one side or the other in the volley. The volley is supposed to block or give the quietus to all strokes attacking the player at or within the service line. The racket must be equally agile to get the ball on either side.

Whenever possible the volley should be taken well within the service line. Whenever possible the volley should be taken well within the service line. The racket must be equally agile to get the ball on either side.

Whenever possible the volley should be taken well within the service line, in played too far back the ball comes to your feet. This involves the stoop for correct position, checking one's run in. There are cases, of course, when it is best to volley even then. In such cases you must make the best of it. But by all means do not be caught back of the service line if you can possibly help it.

I wish to recall to your mind here that the net position is of supreme imparts the latest at the log of its bound. Later than this he will have had time to establish himself at the net and thus gain a great advantage. I have mentioned Brookes in this regard, and R. Norris Williams, I may say, is without equal among American players in the ability to play a rising ball.

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# WHY COBB IS GREAT

Has Always Carefully Applied Himself to His Work.

## has entirely superseded the old-style IS A BASE BALL GENIUS

Detroit Flayer Never Seems to Be

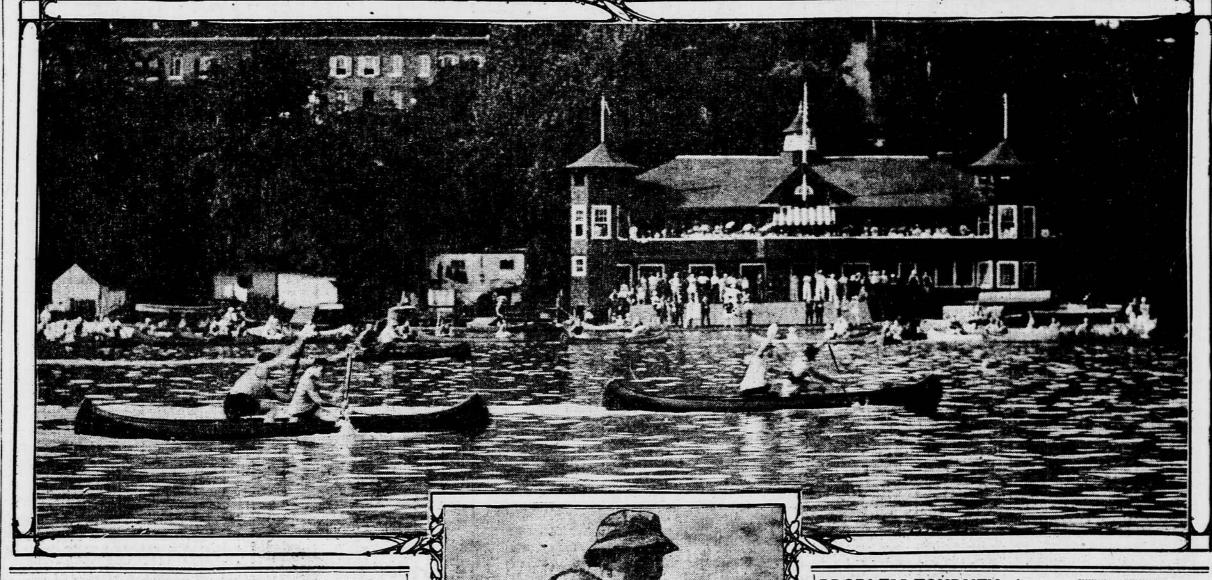
old trick in a new way in the game in which he has become such a great figure. It is a tribute to a man's re sourcefulness that he can continue to promptly, in spite of the competition of his fellow-players and the most important news of these stirring was times. But Cobb is never stopped and apparently never at an end of his resources. He goes on proving from day to day that he is the greatest players are unusual exceptions and one finds both in England and on the continent a great many who possess strong ground strokes and have rested content with this amount of development; thus, though they are not exactly "back numbers" on account of it, their ability is limited to barely first-class tennis.

Basic Position for Volleying.

There is a basic position in the court for volleying. It is the one a player leaves when jumping to one side or the other for different shots. It might be described by students of angle as a position opposite the angle formed by the preceding shot, with the length of the court. The volleyer moves in toward the center of this angle.

In the majority of shots this center is approximately the center of the court. This is particularly true when one takes the net after a service, and apparently never at an end of his re-

# FINISH OF ONE OF THE RACES IN WASHINGTON CANOE CLUB'S REGATTA YESTERDAY IN FRONT OF BOATHOUSE



## NEW HEAVYWEIGHT LOOMS UP AS WILLARD'S POSSIBLE RIVAL

Fred Fulton of Minnesota Is the Man, and He Is Said to Have Knocked Down the World's Champion in an Exhibition Bout.

sition opposite the angle formed by sition opposite the angle formed by e preceding shot, with the length of e court. The volleyer moves in to-ard the center of this angle. In other words, he depends but little on mechanical base ball A lot of other in approximately the center of the burt. This is particularly true when the takes the net after a service, and is clearly illustrated by a grass court at is badly worn. You will notice no enter line meet there is alrays a bald spot, and you will further betweet that, in taking the net, a player shrinks further sheeve that, in taking the net, a player shrinks further sheeve that, in taking the net, a player shrinks further sheeve that, in taking the net, a player shrinks further sheeve that, in taking the net, a player shrinks further sheep the has the advantage of them.

Careful Application.

But Cobb has not become so great a ball player simply through his natural gifts. His rise is the result also of safe or the other is the case may be.

As a rule, it becomes more difficult to volley a ball the lower it is taken. That is why he has been better year that it was said.

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MILWAUKEE, July 24.—Tom Jones, manager of Jess Willard, had better watch out. There is a new heavy-weight after the crown now worn by movement to give the boxer just as fair a show as the promoters, but there is no denying that regulation is badly needed in the boxing game. It is the only sport without a parent organization in this country.

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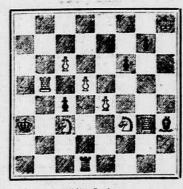
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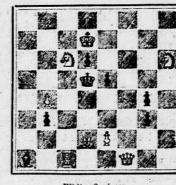
New Yorker Takes Two-Move and Three-Move Honors in Unique Event.

BEST CHESS THEORISTS ARE JUDGES OF CONTEST

Such Form of Competition Is Infrequent and Deserves Place in Game's Annals.

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